



UMPQUA REVIEW

NATIONAL FOREST
QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED ACTIONS

JANUARY 2013

Within this Schedule of Proposed Actions (SOPA), you'll find information that covers environmental analyses in progress on the Umpqua National Forest. This publication is our way of keeping you informed and involved in our plans and progress. We focus these activities on protecting, conserving, using, and restoring forest ecosystems. Each activity lists a contact person if you want additional information or to share ideas.

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Sincerely,

/s/Alice B. Carlton

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Forest Supervisor

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**January 2013
Schedule of Proposed Actions
Umpqua National Forest**



Schedule of Proposed Action (SOPA)

01/01/2013 to 03/31/2013

Umpqua National Forest

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Project Name	Project Purpose	Planning Status	Decision	Expected Implementation	Project Contact
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Projects Occurring Nationwide

Gypsy Moth Management in the United States: A Cooperative Approach EIS	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	Completed	Actual: 11/28/2012	01/2013	Noel Schneeberger 610-557-4121 nschneeberger@fs.fed.us
	Description: The USDA Forest Service and Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service are analyzing a range of strategies for controlling gypsy moth damage to forests and trees in the United States.				
	Web Link: http://www.na.fs.fed.us/wv/eis/				
	Location: UNIT - All Districts-level Units. STATE - All States. COUNTY - All Counties. Nationwide.				

R6 - Pacific Northwest Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)

Cougar Bluffs Land Exchange EA	- Land ownership management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/20/2012	Expected:01/2013	06/2013	Scott Elefritz 541-957-3437 selefritz@fs.fed.us
	Description: Exchange of 280 privately owned acres within the Cougar Bluffs Inventoried Roadless Area for an equal value of land within a 598 acre area administered by the U.S. Forest Service				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=34644				
	Location: UNIT - Tiller Ranger District, North Umpqua Ranger District, Middle Fork Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - Land to be aquired T26S, R1W, Sec. 11, 12; Land to be exchanged: T27S, R1W, Sec. 20; T27S, R2W, Sec. 10, 12, 22; T32S, R2W, Sec. 12; T20S, R3E, Sec. 35; Willamette Meridian. Cougar Bluffs Inventoried Roadless Area.				

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R6 - Pacific Northwest Region, Occurring in more than one Forest (excluding Regionwide)					
Forest Plan Amendments for the Pacific Connector Gas Pipeline EIS	- Land management planning	In Progress: NOI in Federal Register 09/21/2012 Est. DEIS NOA in Federal Register 10/2013	Expected:06/2014	03/2015	Wes Yamamoto 541-825-3100 wyamamoto@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Forest Service is proposing to amend the Land and Resource Management Plans (LRMP) for the Umpqua, Rogue River, and Winema National Forests for the proposed Pacific Connector Gas Pipeline.				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=28132				
	Location: UNIT - Tiller Ranger District, Klamath Ranger District, High Cascades Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas, Jackson, Klamath. Umpqua NF, Rogue River NF, and Winema NF.				

Umpqua National Forest, Forestwide (excluding Projects occurring in more than one Forest)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region		
Forest Plan Amendment for Unique and Mosaic Habitats CE	- Land management planning	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 01/2013	Expected:06/2013	06/2013	Donni Vogel 541-957-3466 dvogel@fs.fed.us
	Description: This amendment proposes to address the need to update a portion of the 1990 Umpqua National Forest's Land and Resource Management Plan in order to maintain and restore these natural open areas that benefit biodiversity by providing important habitat.				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=39842				
	Location: UNIT - Umpqua National Forest All Units. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas, Jackson, Lane. Umpqua National Forest.				
Umpqua National Forest Travel Management Plan EA	- Road management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 03/15/2010	Expected:06/2013	01/2014	Scott Elefritz 541-957-3437 selefritz@fs.fed.us
	Description: The Umpqua National Forest is preparing a Travel Management Plan in accordance with the Final Travel Management Rule, designating routes and areas for motorized use.				
	Web Link: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=25671				
	Location: UNIT - Umpqua National Forest All Units. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas, Jackson, Lane. LEGAL - Forest-wide. Umpqua National Forest.				

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Renewal of Special Use Permits for utility lines CE	- Special use management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 08/17/2012	Expected:01/2013	02/2013	Robin Duarte 541-957-3295 rduarte@fs.fed.us
	Description: Renewal of six powerline permits and three telephone line permits for the maximum 20 year terms.				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=37859				
Location: UNIT - Tiller Ranger District, North Umpqua Ranger District, Diamond Lake Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. Multiple distribution lines Forest-wide; Diamond Lake, Tiller, and North Umpqua Districts.					

Umpqua National Forest	Cottage Grove Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)				R6 - Pacific Northwest Region
Parker Wyatt Timber Sale EA	- Forest products - Vegetation management (other than forest products) - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 05/08/2012 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/2013	Expected:02/2013	09/2013	Patrick Williams (541) 767-5000 pswilliams@fs.fed.us
	Description: The purpose of this project is to improve stand growth, health, and diversity in stem exclusion stands; enhance development of late-successional conditions; improve big-game winter range habitat; and provide wood products to the local communities.				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=37626				
	Location: UNIT - Cottage Grove Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Lane. LEGAL - T22S R1E Sections 5-8, 13, 14, 23 and R2E Sections 16, 17, 20, 21, 27, and 28. Stands are located throughout the north end of the Brice Creek subwatershed.				

Umpqua National Forest		Diamond Lake Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region	
Loafer Timber Sale Project EA	- Forest products - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 03/02/2012 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/2013	Expected:02/2013	09/2013	Stephen Burns 541-957-3351 sburns@fs.fed.us	
	Description: This project proposes commercial thinning in over-stocked stands and pine-dominated stands, and prescribed fire to promote shrubland wildlife habitat on approximately 1,450 acres.					
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=36365					
	Location: UNIT - Diamond Lake Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - Willamette Meridian portions of: T25S-R5E; T26S-R4E; T26S-R5E. Upper North Umpqua (HUC 5) watershed.					

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Umpqua National Forest Diamond Lake Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region		
Lonely Oak EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	In Progress: Scoping Start 09/15/2010 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/2013	Expected:03/2013	06/2013	Jeff Bohler 541-498-2531 jbohler@fs.fed.us
	Description: Wildlife habitat improvement project to restore shrublands, dry forests, and wetland habitats.				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=39514				
	Location: UNIT - Diamond Lake Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. South slopes of Pig Iron Mountain.				
Wetland Planning FY12 CE	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2013	Expected:04/2013	06/2013	Jeff Bohler 541-498-2531 jbohler@fs.fed.us
	Description: Creation of several small wetlands				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=39585				
	Location: UNIT - Diamond Lake Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. Diamond Lake Ranger District - multiple locations.				

Umpqua National Forest North Umpqua Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region		
Calf Creek Instream Restoration EA	- Watershed management	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 09/2013	Expected:12/2013	07/2014	Ron McMullin 541-496-3532 rgmcmullin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Restore aquatic habitat in Calf Creek using techniques ranging from helicopter log placement, tree lining, and boulder placement.				
	Location: UNIT - North Umpqua Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T26S, R02E, Sec. 19. Calf Creek, tributary to the North Umpqua River near RM 61.				

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Umpqua National Forest North Umpqua Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region		
Hemlock Lake Chalcedony Site Project CE *NEW LISTING*	- Minerals and Geology	Developing Proposal Est. Scoping Start 02/2013	Expected:06/2013	06/2013	Aili Gusey 541-767-5011 agusey@fs.fed.us
	Description: This project proposes to establish this rock hounding site as a community site under 36 CFR 228.64, requiring mineral permits to be able to collect at the site, restricting the site to non-mechanized equipment, and installing a bulletin board.				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=41103				
	Location: UNIT - North Umpqua Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T27S, R1E section 29. Located off of Forest Sevice road 2759-680.				
Lower Steamboat Environmental Assessment EA	- Forest products	In Progress: Scoping Start 11/01/2012 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 04/2013	Expected:05/2013	09/2013	Michael Brown 541-496-3532 michaelbrown@fs.fed.us
	Description: Commercial thinning approximately 20.8 mbf across 1,840 acres in the Ragged Ridge area adjacent to Lower Steamboat Creek.				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=37713				
	Location: UNIT - North Umpqua Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T26S , R01E and R02E. Ragged Ridge, east of the North Umpqua River / Steamboat Creek confluence and north of the North Umpqua River.				
Willow Sump Invasive Plant Project EA	- Vegetation management (other than forest products)	In Progress: Scoping Start 10/15/2012 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 02/2013	Expected:03/2013	09/2013	Bryan Benz 541-496-3532 ext. 267 bbenz@fs.fed.us
	Description: The purpose of this project is to eradicate an invasive species (yellow floating heart) from the Willow Sump aquatic habitat and to prevent the spread of this weed into other aquatic habitats.				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=40194				
	Location: UNIT - North Umpqua Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - The planning area is situated within T27S, R1W, Section 2 and 3, Willamette Meridian, Douglas County, Oregon. The 2-acre Willow Sump project area is located on the North Umpqua Ranger District of the Umpqua National Forest (UNF), approximately 24 road miles southeast of Glide, Oregon.				

Umpqua National Forest	Tiller Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)	R6 - Pacific Northwest Region
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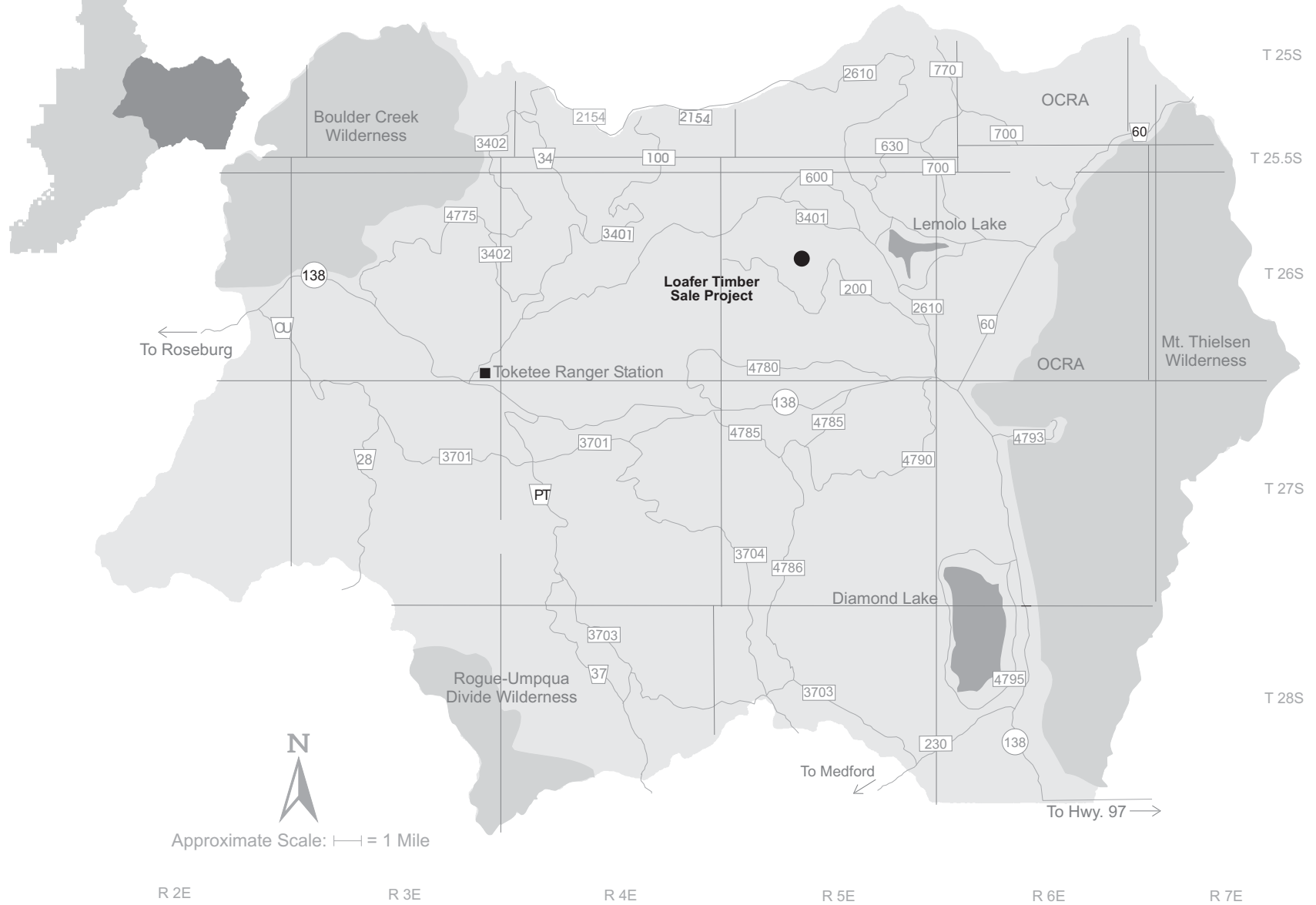
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Umpqua National Forest Tiller Ranger District (excluding Projects occurring in more than one District)			R6 - Pacific Northwest Region		
Johnnie Forest Management Project EA	- Forest products - Fuels management	In Progress: Scoping Start 06/17/2011 Est. 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 01/2013	Expected:03/2013	08/2013	David Baker 541-825-3149 dcbaker@fs.fed.us
	Description: Improve the fire resiliency of the forest and decrease the threat of wildfire to life and property near the community of Tiller, Oregon by thinning out and removing some of the existing dense vegetation that serves as fuel during a wildfire event.				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=36362				
	Location: UNIT - Tiller Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - Willamette Meridian: T29S, R1W, Sec. 7, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33; T30S, R1W, Sec. 5, 6, 7, and 8; T30S, R2W, Sec. 12. Tiller Wildland-Urban Interface Area; Tiller Ranger District of the Umpqua National Forest, within the Middle South Umpqua Watershed.				
Tiller Aquatic Restoration EA	- Wildlife, Fish, Rare plants - Watershed management	In Progress: 215 Comment Period Legal Notice 12/21/2012	Expected:02/2013	06/2013	Calib Baldwin 541-825-3133 ctbaldwin@fs.fed.us
	Description: Restore salmon and steelhead habitat by placing wood and large rocks in streams.				
	Web Link: http://data.ecosystem-management.org/nepaweb/nepa_project_exp.php?project=31250				
	Location: UNIT - Tiller Ranger District. STATE - Oregon. COUNTY - Douglas. LEGAL - T28S, 29S, 30S, 31S, R1W, R1E, 2E, 3E, W.M. Tiller District wide.				

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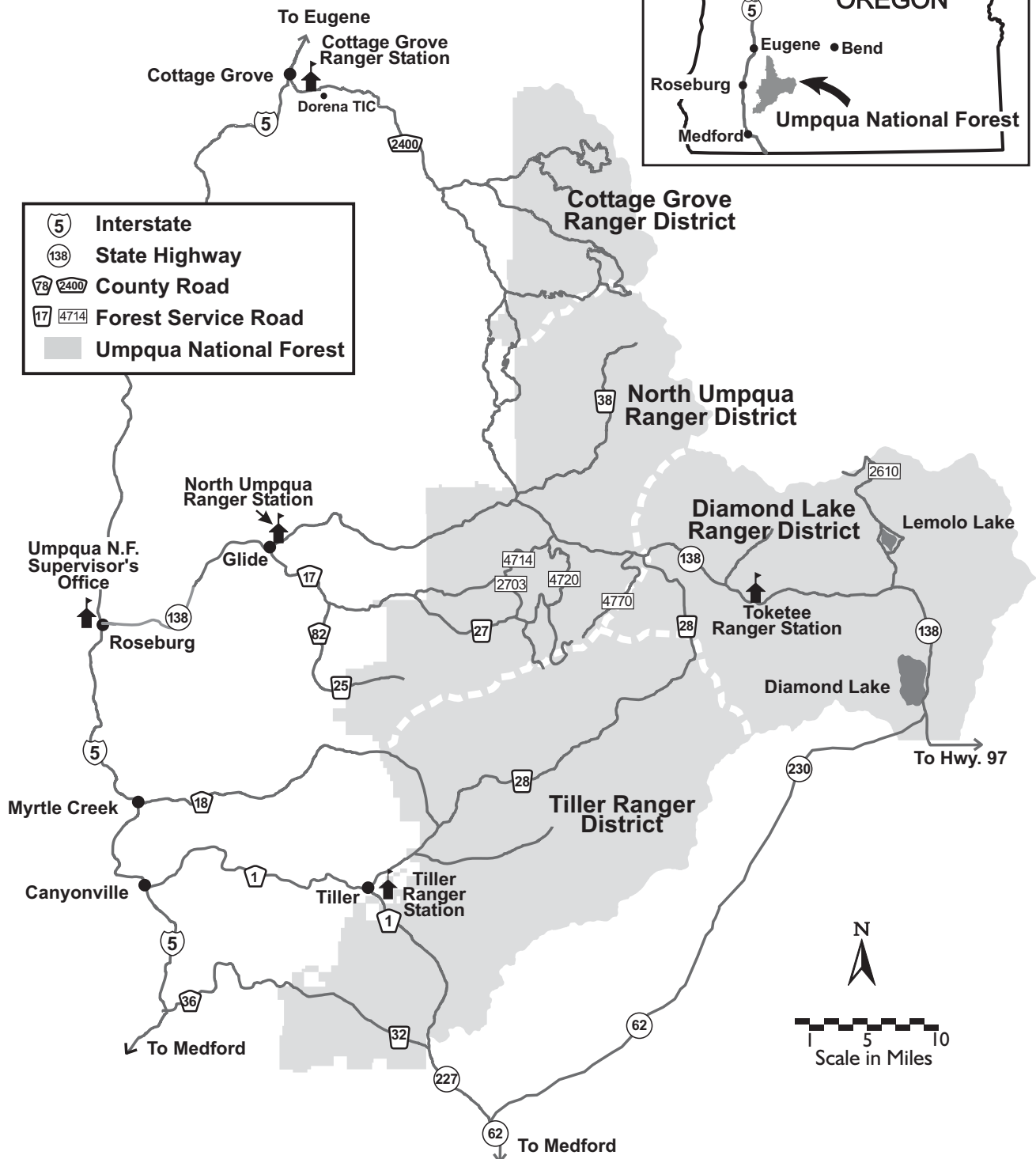
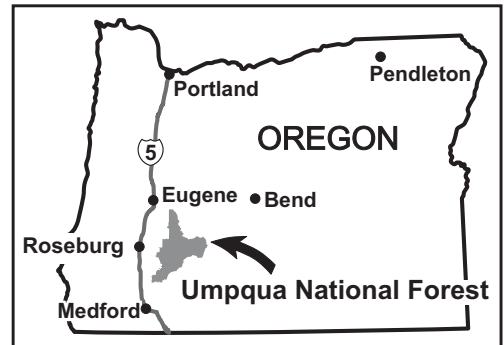
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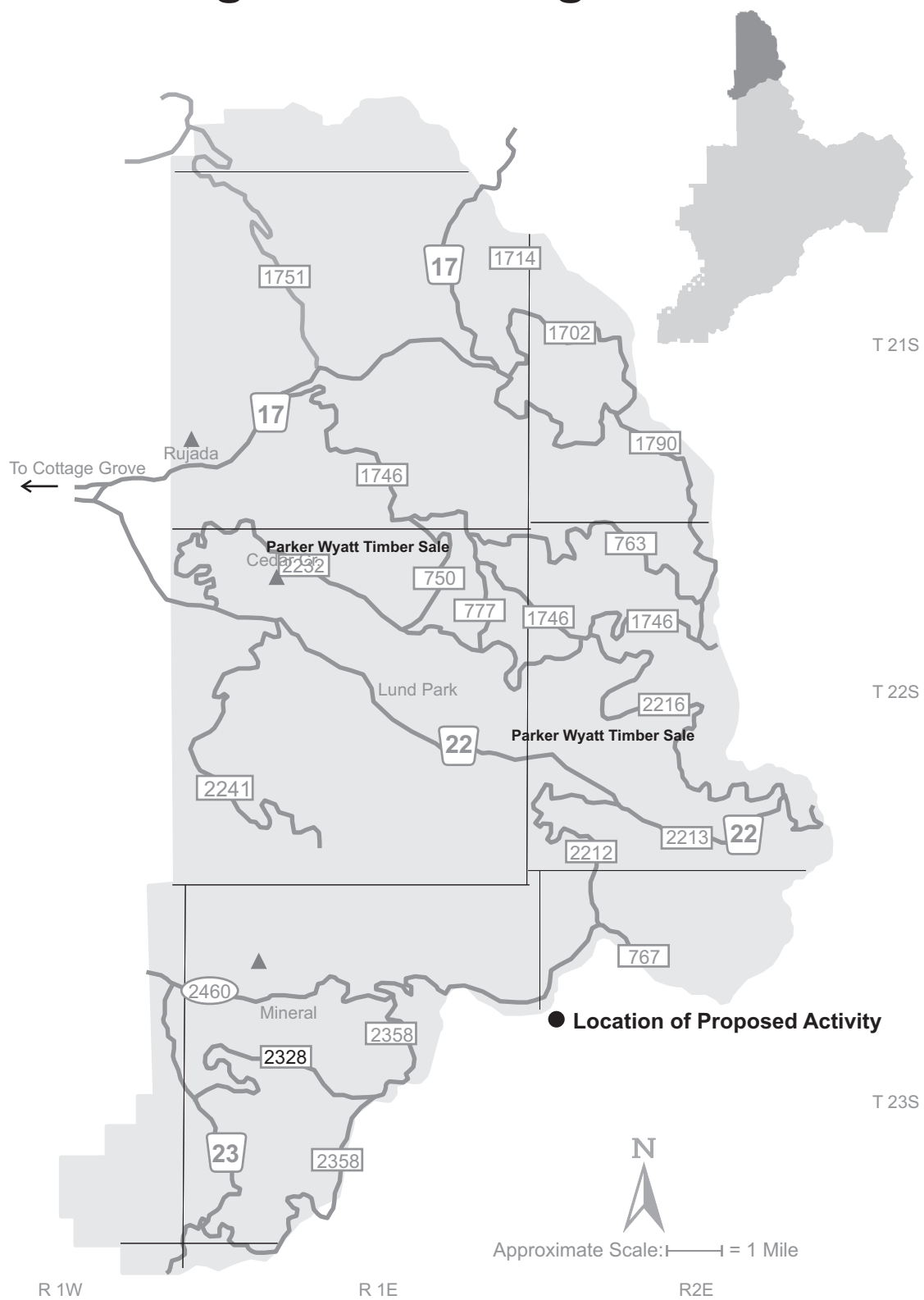
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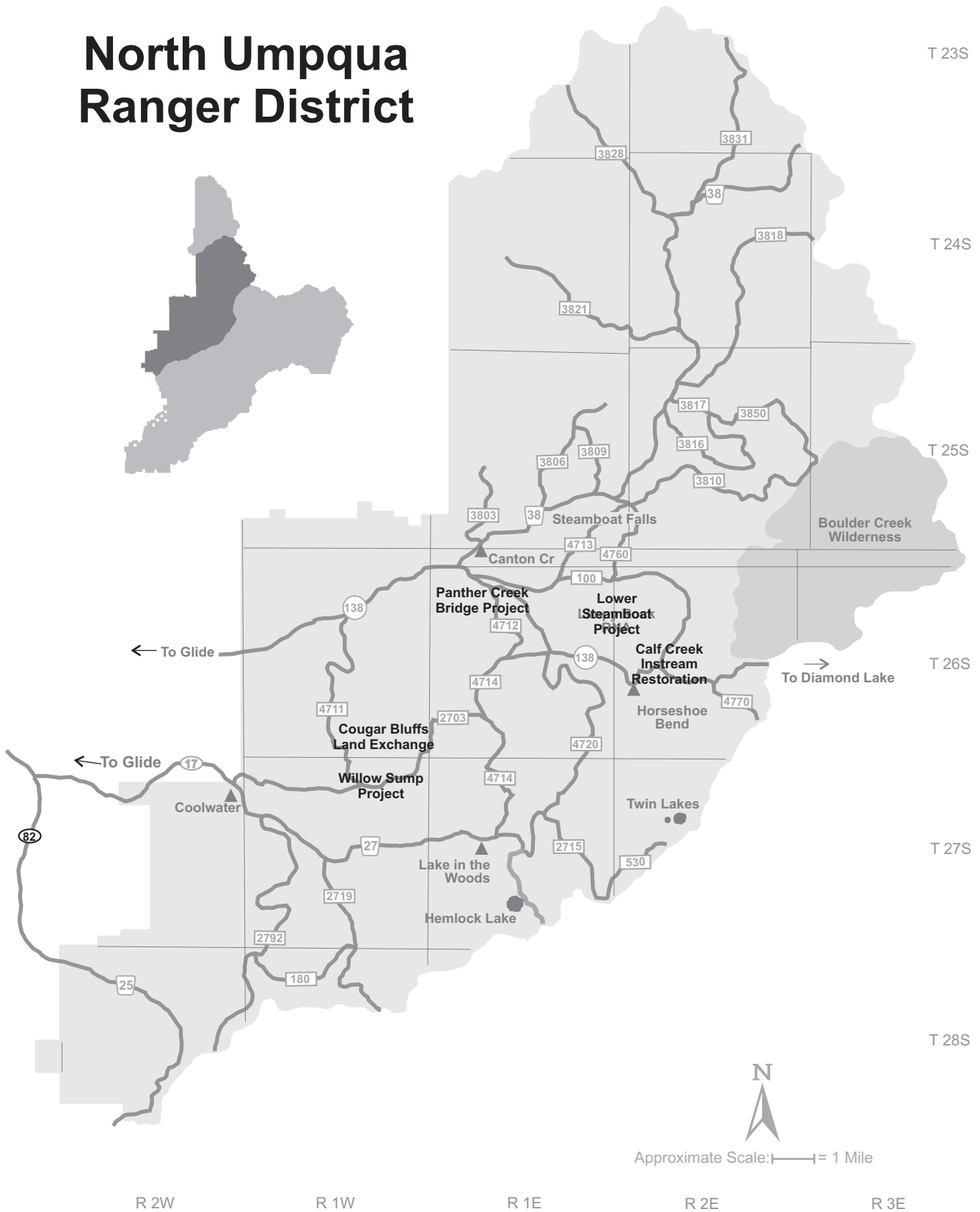
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